

Clay County Board Minutes



COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS

Courthouse, Clay Center, Nebraska, May 31, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.

The Clay County Board of Supervisors met May 31, 2011 as per public notice given in the Clay County News on May 25, 2011 a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the County Clerk's Office. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting and on the county website. Chairman Fintel presided with roll call showing the following present: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Johnson, Shaw, Schmidt and Fintel. Minutes of the meeting held May 24, 2011 were sent to the board members. All of the proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman, Fintel stated that the open meeting law poster is posted on the west wall in the back of the room.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 24, 2011 as mailed. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw. Nuss and Fintel. Motion carried.

There was no Public Input.

Thomas Roemmich II, Highway Superintendent reported that the repair work from the previous storm has been completed. Tom discussed road and bridge work; will be working on culverts this week.

The highway superintendent's road work report was distributed and reviewed. Motion by Samuelson and seconded by Anderson to approve the Highway Superintendent's road work report for the month of May 2011. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson and Fintel. Motion carried

Bruce Rumsey did not meet with the board.

The board members who attended the Board of Equalization workshop reported what they learned to the rest of the board at this time.

Mike Burns the county's public defender met with the board to discuss his contract. He will no longer be able to perform the duties of public defender since being appointed 10th Judicial District Judge by the Governor. After discussion, his recommendation was to assign the public defender contract to his present firm. The board will discuss this with the county attorney.

Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff was not able to meet with the board at this time.

The information received from District #1 Probation was reviewed. The budget request is 80 cents more than the prior year. Motion by Anderson and seconded by Nuss to grant the budget request from District #1 Probation for fiscal year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$3348.80. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel. Motion carried.



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Two claims that were not signed by the board at the last meeting were presented. Motion by Shaw and seconded by Anderson to approve General Fund claim numbers #3201 and #3202 and authorize the County Clerk to issue warrants on the respective funds. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Nuss and seconded by Shaw to authorize the chairman to sign the sub-group application with BlueCross BlueShield; keeping the deductible at \$1500.00 and choosing Dental Coverage Option #4 County Employees effective July 1, 2011. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Johnson to approve the title change for Holly Weber from Office Assistant to 4-H Assistant. On roll call, yea: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Motion carried. The bond for Bruce Schwenk was submitted to the board for approval. Motion by Schmidt and seconded by Samuelson to approve the bond for Bruce Schwenk as Treas./Sec. for Harvard Rural Fire District. On roll call, yea: Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss and Fintel. Motion carried.

Gene Ulmer, the county's budget preparer went over a preliminary worksheet and notes for the 11-12 budget. Interlocal agreements and capital improvements were discussed.

RuAnn Root, CASA Director introduced Wendy Keele the new program coordinator. A booklet that contained the Mission Statement, information about CASA and the budget request was handed out. The request is the same as the last several years.

Motion by Shaw and seconded by Nuss to grant the budget request for CASA in the amount of \$16396.00 for fiscal year 2011-2012. On roll call, yea: Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson and Fintel. Motion carried.

Travis Songster, Custodian reported on water issues in the courthouse and service building. The problems associated with the leak from the roof were discussed. Travis will caulk the cap and the tuck pointing company will be contacted to see if they will do the caulking around the decorative work at the top of the courthouse. A new drain cover will be ordered for the drain that has no cover at this time. Joe Cooney will be contacted to check out leaking from air handlers. Travis has not had time to check out anything concerning the maintenance shed.

Loren Uden, Emergency Management Consultant presented the agreement from GIS Workshop, Inc. Scope of the work addresses E911, MSAG and Address Maintenance.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to approve of the contract for 911 mapping and authorize the chairman to sign the Agreement for the Provision of Limited Professional Services between GIS Workshop, Inc. and Clay County, NE. On roll call, yea: Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson and Fintel. Motion carried.



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An Addendum to the South Central (PET) Committee Memorandum of Understanding was presented to the board by the Emergency Management Consultant.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Samuelson to appoint Loren H. Uden to serve as the Clay County representative to the South Central PET Region Committee meetings in the absence of the Temporary Emergency Manager Sheriff Jeff Franklin. On roll call, yea: Johnson, Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt and Fintel. Motion carried.

Two claims asking for payment to GIS Workshop for MSAG/GIS Annual Support; year 1 of 5 year contract were presented by Loren Uden.

Motion by Anderson and seconded by Shaw to approve the claims to GIS Workshop, General Fund \$1568.00 and E911 Fund \$3332.00, for at total amount of \$4900.00. On roll call, yea: Shaw, Nuss, Samuelson, Schmidt, Johnson and Fintel; Anderson stepped out. Motion carried.

Loren also reported that he has purchased a cell phone for Clay County Emergency Management; the scanner is in and that next month it may be necessary to revise the ID Badge policy. It was reported that the 911 committee approved of switching to Delta Alert so he authorized the transition. As of today Delta Alert is on line. Information reflecting the change will be posted on the county website.

Ted Griess, County Attorney reported on property that didn't sell at the last tax foreclosure sale. The contract for Tina Nelson has been prepared but was not available today. Ted advised against allocating more authority to the Conservation Advisory Committee; decided to leave as is. The board discussed Mike Burn's proposal to assign the current public defender contract to his firm. Assigning to a firm as opposed to an individual was discussed. Ted and the board decided that assigning to the firm would be the best option. Mr. Burns will be notified of the board's decision.

Dan Schwartzkopf, part owner of Krull Agency, Inc. visited with the board about health insurance and other benefit options. The board is not looking to make any changes at this time.

Jeff Franklin, County Sheriff was able to meet with the board at this time. He was asked about SRT and where that was going since some of the funding was not attainable. Jeff explained that they would keep it as joint training; two officers are scheduled to go to training and will come back and train the others. Jeff was asked about the water problems in the basement of the jail and house. Two old freezers and boxes need to be removed. Removing a fence, having dirt work done and building some awnings were discussed.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Shaw to adjourn this meeting at 12:48 P.M.; next meeting scheduled for June 14, 2011. On roll call, yea: Nuss, Samuelson, Anderson, Schmidt, Johnson, Shaw and Fintel. Motion carried.

Deborah Karnatz, County Clerk

Ivan Fintel, Chairman